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A Laſh or two for the preſent venerable Society of Grub-ſtreet *Authors.*

IN my firſt Paper I freely declar'd my Zeal as a *Reformer*, in beating up the Quarters of Iniquity in *Drury-Lane*, and indeed I find it a great Comfort to my Conſcience, that notwithſtanding all Temptations, I have executed my Office ſo well.——In the Scripture-Phraſe I am really a Terror to *Evil-Doers*, and Vice flies before me, as the *Philiſtines* fled before *Jonathan*, and his *Armour Bearer*. I am the *Sampſon* of *Reformers*, and many a *Dalilah* has allured me to diſcover my Strength in vain: 'Tis true the *Wicked* have reproach'd me with ſtaining my Integrity, but I defy them to make good their Charge; In like Manner they inſinuate, that I perſecute for Gain, rather than Reformation; and that Sin ſprings under my Foot-ſtep, like *Cammomil*, the faſter by Oppreſſion. I muſt confeſs my Labours have not been altogether ſo ſucceſsful as I could have wiſh'd, and the Game I have hunted from one Borough, has only taken Shelter in another. However, I will one Day or other print a Journal of my Proceedings, that the World may be convinc'd of my Zeal, and the good Effect of my Labours. In the mean Time there is another Kind of *Proſtitutes*, that are as great a Nuiſance to the Publick, and deſerve as much Correction as the other. Theſe are the Muſhroom-Brood of Authors, Tranſlators, News-Writers, and a whole Tribe of *nameleſs Names* that infeſt the courteous Reader like Flies at *Bartholomew-Tide*. Every Day produces a new Generation of theſe troubleſome Inſects, that were unknown the Day before, and will be forgot on the Morrow. As I have profeſs'd myſelf a *Reformer*, I thought it my Duty to begin my Office with this worſt Kind of Proſtitutes, who are not only vitiated themſelves, but make it their Buſineſs to debauch other People.——To this Purpoſe I took out a Warrant from the High Court of *Apollo*, call'd about me a ſuitable Poſſe of *Criticks* to ſerve as Conſtables and Beadles, and began the Search with as much Diligence, as if the *Bays* was to have been my Reward.——I mean when the illuſtrious Mr. *Cibber* had compleated his Volume of Odes, and Death taken them both into his Poſſeſſion together.——It muſt be obſerv'd we were a little at a Loſs where to begin our Perſuit, for theſe Animals like the *Indians* have no fix'd Habitation; unleſs their *Creditors* do them the Favour to provide one, and then they are often ſettled for Life: Neither do they live in Herds, as other *Banditti* do; no, they hold no Society with each other, unleſs 'tis for their common Intereſt; and except the Writers of the *Grub-ſtreet Journal*, no two of them have been found together in the Memory of Man. Some ſay this is owing to their mutual Envy, or Contempt of each other; but I rather believe that they chuſe to divide the Country between them, that they may find the better Quarters, without ſtarving one another.

The firſt of theſe *Vermin* that we ſtumbled on, liv'd in a Cellar in *Fleet-Lane*, that he might be within Call, if the Warden of the *Fleet* ſhould have any Commands; he was a Dealer in Ghoſts, and Murthers, and never fail'd to have a Levee of *Hawkers*, on Saturdays, in Order to ſecure a Dinner for Sunday. We found him employ'd in writing an Anſwer to the *Forſaken Lovers Garland*; a Quartern of Gin ſerv'd for Poetical Fire, and one of the Town Ladies, diſtinguiſh'd by the Name of *Bunters*, for a Muſe: They were both allarm'd at the Sight of my venerable *Phiz*, and ſable Peruke, and made off with ſome Confuſion; apprehending we were come to examine them by a Warrant from the *Lord Chief Juſtice*, rather than the God *Apollo*, who was a Perſonage that neither of them was acquainted with. The next we had Intelligence of was an elderly *Perſon* who made a comfortable Living of hawking *Elegies* and *Epithalamiums* up and down the Town, and now and then furniſhing ſome lazy *Brother* with a Manuſcript Sermon for Half a Crown. His Manner of vending his Ware was to examine the News for Deaths and Marriages, and he was always provided with ready-made *Heroicks*, that would do for either: When he had reſolv'd on his Cuſtomers he drew out a fair Copy, made his Compliment in *propria Perſona*, and got a few Shillings, if no Body had fore-ſtall'd the Market before him. On being ask'd by what Authority he preſum'd to take up the Trade, he pleaded Poverty as a ſufficient Title, facetiouſly hinted that very few of his Contemporaries had any other, and that Mr. *Bavius* and he were firſt Couſins.——From hence we, with ſome little Trouble, made a Shift to find the Way to a Printer's *Garret*, which was inhabited by a thin Mortal in a greaſy Night-Gown, a dirty Shirt, and ſurrounded with ſuch a Cloud of Smoak that, like the Robber *Cacus*, he was to be diſcover'd only by the Fire of his own Pipe: This ſublime Perſon was a Writer of News, and to his profound Contemplations, we owe many of the wonderful Articles, that are the Coffee-Houſe Amuſements; his Perſon, like his Authorities, was a Secret, and his Hints were given thro' a Hole in a Wall, that, like the Oracles of old, he might be conceal'd by his own Obſcurity. On looking over a few of his Paragraphs I found he was a Lyon to the *Grub-ſtreet Journal*, and that his Wit, like his News, was generally ſecond Hand. *N. B.* We gave him no Reproof becauſe he never pretended to be better than his Title. Our next Ramble was into the *Strand*, where we produc'd our Warrant to a Neſt of *Pirates*, who were for ſtealing a Copy before our Faces, to be the Foundation of a Sixpenny Pamphlet. Here we were diverted with a Set of Ruffian-like Fellows whoſe Buſineſs is to prey on every Thing that is excellent, and obtrude ſurreptitious Copies on the Town, to underſell the true; to the Ruin of Author and Bookſeller, and in Contempt of all Juſtice and fair Dealing: And if no ſuch Opportunity of Plunder ſhould offer, the whole Fraternity club all the Ornaments they are Maſters of; ſuch as a Wig, Sword, *&c.* to make up one Gentleman among them, who is ſent out in Search of Scandal and the Lie of the Day; and if any is to be found, as Scandal is ſeldom idle, they all ſet down to work upon it at once, and, in Half a Day, they finiſh a whole Hiſtory of Intrigue: One writes a Preface, another a Bawdy Tale, a Third a Song; the Printer begins as they finiſh, and a popular Advertiſement is calculated to recommend the Contents. Theſe are the Aſſaſſines of Fame, and neither Quality, nor Virtue, Place, nor Fortune, are a Security from their villainous Pens: Hence the Town ſwarms with Lampoons, and every domeſtic Misfortune is made the Jeſt of the Vulgar. Nothing but the Magiſtrate can *reform* ſuch Enormities as theſe; Satire is uſeleſs, they have out-liv'd the Senſe of Shame, and can have no Reputation to loſe.

From theſe we remov'd to a *Spunging Houſe* hard by, where we met with a Man who was ſending a Manuſcript to the Preſs that Moment, and ſeem'd more concern'd for its Reputation, than the Loſs of his Liberty; he had all his Life long been forming Projects for the Benefit of the Publick, and the Information of the Miniſtry, which both had been ungrateful enough to deſpiſe; and tho' he had already waſted his Fortune in following theſe Chimeras, he continued as mad as ever, and was ſending his laſt ten Guineas for Paper, and Printing, rather than compound his Debt, that the World might evidence the Wiſdom of his Schemes, and do him the Juſtice the Miniſtry deny'd.

I charitably forbore to comment on his Madneſs, becauſe I thought it was its own Puniſhment; I adviſ'd only that the Place of his Confinement might be chang'd, becauſe *Bedlam* ought to have its proper Inhabitants.——I have ſcarce gone thro' half my Liſt; but one of my Emiſſaries is juſt come in with Intelligence, that Beau *Flaſh* has juſt ſet up a Chariot, and Equipage, without one Foot of Land, without one Farthing yearly Income, without one Grain of Merit to deſerve, or maintain it; this Incident makes me break off a little abruptly.—I can't reſt till I am acquainted with ſo myſterious an Affair.——Beſide,—hark!—aye—bleſs me!—There's my Lady *Buſy*, Lady *Tattle*, Lady *Teaſun*, Mrs. *Sneer*, Mrs. *Flirt*, and all the Members of the *Cabal* come for Information, before I have Time to make the Enquiry.——But I know they are full-charg'd with Slander of their own, and, while they have the Pleaſure of talking themſelves, they'll be very well pleas'd to excuſe my Silence. ——For, tho' they come to hear, they muſt be ſet a Part themſelves too, or, like our modern Criticks, they'll be ſure to damn the Entertainment.

A Letter to a GREAT MAN, *concerning the unhappy Sufferers, by the late Neglects and Frauds of the Managers of the* Charitable Corporation.

SIR,

YOU were pleaſed, in our laſt Converſation, to expreſs ſome Tenderneſs for ſeveral of the late Managers of the *Charitable Corporation*; at the ſame Time you owned, that the Conduct of others of them had been ſuch, that perhaps a groſſer Scene of Iniquity had never been acted, than that in which they bore the principal Parts. I would be far, in all Caſes of Enquiry and Puniſhment, from blending the Innocent with the Guilty; I would be far from puniſhing Sins of Omiſſion, in the ſame Manner as Crimes of the blackeſt Dye, wilful and deliberate Frauds; and thoſe too committed, not only to the great Loſs of many honeſt and induſtrious Perſons, but to the entire and utter Ruin of others. But then, I would take great Care, that I found they had nothing to anſwer for but mere Neglect; and that that Neglect had ſome juſt and proper Excuſe. Elſe, may it not appear, that to the Neglect of theſe, on whoſe Credit for Worth, and Honeſty, and Care, in the great Affairs of Life they had paſs'd through, the unhappy Sufferers rely'd for the ſafe Management of their Property. What ſhall I call thoſe who have been wicked enough to ſquander away the Fortunes of others entruſted to their Care!——I ſay, may it not appear, that to the Neglect of theſe otherwiſe worthy Perſons, and to that only, the baſe Men who have made a Prey of thoſe they ſhould have protected, owed their Power of Ruining? In ſuch Caſe, will not Juſtice, will not even Humanity to the Injured, demand, that all proper Reparation at leaſt be made out of their Fortunes?——But I forbear, at preſent, to carry this Argument any farther: This black, this wicked Tranſaction is now brought before thoſe, whom no falſe Arts can delude, and with whom no mere Pretences can have any Weight; where Juſtice, equal impartial Juſtice, will no Doubt avenge the Cauſe of the Innocent, the Widow, and the Orphan.

I entirely agree with you, that in this Enquiry the Sufferers ought to examine thoroughly into the Operation of this Iniquity: Particularly,

Whether, when the Capital was encreaſed, and the new Shares made out; the whole Money was paid in, as order'd, by all Perſons equally?

At what Times, and by what Degrees, the ſeveral Cheques, which were the Security againſt the Frauds of the Managers and Servants, were taken off? And who were the Perſons that then had the Direction, and gave Orders for, or connived at, ſuch a remiſs and fatal Conduct?

By whoſe Management the Minute Books were got out of the Secretary's Hands; and what Alteration they have at any Time been ſubject to, and by whom?

Who directed the Iſſue of the *Promiſſory* Notes and Bonds; and what were the Purpoſes ſuch Iſſues were intended to ſerve?

Who were the Perſons preſent, that were in the Management, when that Declaration was made in a General Court laſt Summer, that the Company were able to divide at that Time above Ten Thouſand Six Hundred Pounds out of the Profits made by them?

Laſtly, Who have transferred, at any Time ſince the encreaſed Capital, any Quantities of Stock? And whether ſuch Transfers have not been made of great Quantities by ſome who ſoon after got out of the Direction and Management? and whether any of theſe were the Perſons who effected the Removal of the Cheques?

Theſe, and other Enquiries of the like Nature, particularly as to the ſeveral fraudulent Entries in the Caſh-Books, Pledge-Journals, *&c.* and by whom and whoſe Order they were made, will naturally lead to the Diſcovery of this groſs Fraud; whereby many are ſtript of their whole Fortunes, and others reduced to the utmoſt Diſtreſs.

Indeed, the latter Part of the Conduct of theſe Managers, that publick Aſſurance of their being able to divide 10,600 and odd Pounds out of their Profits, is to be equal'd by nothing, but that memorable Declaration of the late *South-Sea* Directors, that they could divide 50*l. per Cent.* to their Proprietors for twelve Years to come. By which fraudulent Aſſurance in that Caſe (which I fear was too much ſo in this) thoſe very Managers ſold their own Stock at an extravagant Rate to innocent Perſons, whom this iniquitous Declaration had ſeduced to become Purchaſers; and who were left then, as the preſent Stockholders in this Corporation are now, to ſuffer Ruin and the greateſt Want.

I ſhall trouble you no farther, at preſent, than to conclude theſe few Hints in the Words of the late Great Mr. *Trenchard*, on a like Occaſion.

" O Companies! Companies! the Bane of Honeſty! " the Ruin of Trade! the Source of all Evils to a free " and happy Nation!

I am, Sir,

Your &c.

A Letter from a STOCK-HOLDER *in the* Charitable Corporation, *to the Author of the Letter to a* GREAT MAN.

SIR, *London, Feb.* 10, 1731.

I Thank you, not only in my own Name, but in that of ſeveral other Stock-holders of the *Charitable Corporation*, for the Concern you expreſs for us among the other unhappy Sufferers by the late Neglects and Frauds of the Managers of our Affairs. But, at the ſame Time, I cannot but vindicate our Innocence in becoming Purchaſers of the ſaid Stock: And this I do the rather, becauſe by your general Sarcaſm on Companies, and the common Cenſure that attends this Corporation in particular; Gentlemen, who are ſo unfortunate as now to need Relief on this Account, are thought in ſome Meaſure not to deſerve it. Indeed, almoſt all agree in condemning the wicked and diſhoneſt Proceedings of our Managers; but all do not ſo readily think the Sufferers ſhould be fully redreſs'd. As to myſelf (which I know to be the Caſe of many others) before I became a Proprietor in this Corporation, I acquainted myſelf thoroughly with the Nature of their Charter, and the Uſes for which it was granted; and I found, both by the firſt Grant, and the ſubſequent enlarged Powers, that the Deſign was a laudable and juſt Deſign, tending to relief the Neceſſitous from the Oppreſſion they had hitherto labour'd under, from thoſe who had ſupply'd them with Loans upon Pledges. Nor was I content with ſatisfying myſelf with the Honeſty and Worthineſs of the Deſign; but I examin'd alſo carefully into the Execution of it. I enquired into the Methods of the Company's Proceeding; what Oeconomy there was in their Management, and what Securities to prevent Frauds. As to the firſt, I was informed every Thing was tranſacted as frugally, and with as much Parſimony, as by any publick Body; and as to the latter, among other Securities, I was aſſured there were the following prudent Cheques; *viz. That the Caſhier ſhould give in an Account weekly of all the Caſh received and iſſued, and produce the Balance then in his Hands. That a Surveyor was appointed to inſpect the Warehouſes, and give in a weekly Account to the Committee of all the Pledges there, with his Obſervations upon them. That, as a Cheque on the Warehouſe-keeper, a diſtinct Key was ordered to be kept, firſt by the Caſhier, and then by the Accomptant. That the Accomptant was weekly to give an Account of all the Pledges that became forfeited; and that he or the Caſhier ſhould give the Regiſter an Account alſo weekly, of all Notes iſſued on Pledges, with their Numbers, Sums and Dates. That all Pledges made to the Corporation were to be entered in a Book to be laid before the Committee of Accounts, or the Gentlemen who attended, whenever they ſhould meet, with the Date when each Pledge was taken in, and the Place where depoſited; and that the Redemption or Renewal of the ſame ſhould alſo be ſpecify'd. Alſo, that each Certificate was to ſpecify where its reſpective Pledge was lodged.*

After being ſatisfy'd of the Uſefulneſs of this eſtabliſh'd Corporation; and that ſuch wiſe and prudent Rules were laid down for conducting it; I muſt tell you, Sir, that I became a Purchaſer of a great Number of their Shares, and thoſe from 7 to 8l. *per* Share, to the Amount of ſeveral thouſand Pounds. Could any Man of the greateſt Honeſty, or Diſcretion, be more juſt and cautious in laying out his Money? And yet, you know the wretched Situation to which I and numerous others are reduced.

You ſeem indeed to think, Sir, that we ought to have all poſſible Reparation from thoſe by whoſe Careleſſneſs, or Fraud, this Diſtreſs is brought upon us. But ſure you do not imagine that that will in any Manner be equal to our Loſſes. No, Sir, I conceive, that we can be no Way fully redreſs'd, unleſs ſome proper Means can be found out for going on with the Undertaking; which, as it is a Deſign calculated for the publick Benefit, as well as private Relief to the neceſſitous Trader (as I think may be demonſtrably ſhewn) I do not ſee why Gentlemen of real Worth and Probity may not engage in it; eſpecially, I ſay, as I ſhould hope ſuch a future Proceeding would be managed for the Relief of all thoſe who have ſuffered innocently, in any Shape, under the former Management. This would be a Glory to thoſe who ſhould have Generoſity enough to engage in it under its preſent Diſcouragements; as it would in Time do Juſtice to the Injured, reſtore the Loſs to many very unable to bear it, and preſerve others (and thoſe very numerous too) from abſolute Want, to which I fear they muſt otherwiſe be expoſed.

I am, Sir,
Your very humble Servant,
A. B.

To the Committee, Aſſiſtants, and Inſpectors of the Charitable Corporation.

WE whoſe Names are hereunto ſubſcribed, take this Occaſion to repreſent to you, on Behalf of ourſelves and other Creditors of the Corporation, that ſince the late Calamity has befallen this Corporation, the General Court (we obſerv'd) appointed Inſpectors from their own Body, together with the Committee and Aſſiſtants, to examine into the Affairs and true State of the Corporation, and, as we apprehend, to act therein as might beſt anſwer their preſent Circumſtances, but more eſpecially to collect their Effects, and aſcertain the true Value thereof.

And tho' we had Reaſon to apprehend, from the great Loſs the Corporation has ſuſtain'd, its Effects were ſcarce ſufficient to anſwer and diſcharge our Demands, yet we ſubmitted to the Meaſures taken by the General Court, being unwilling to perplex their Affairs with Law-Suits, or to leſſen the Fund of the Corporation, which had already been ſo much exhauſted and impair'd, but contented ourſelves to wait the Iſſue of this Enquiry, expecting from this prudent Appointment, ſome effectual Meaſures would be taken to make the moſt of the Effects now remaining, and the beſt Oeconomy uſed to husband the ſmall Remnant from being waſted or conſumed, and that it ſhould be employ'd according to the Intention of the General Court, to diſcharge our Demands, or that we ſhould at leaſt receive ſome Aſſurance when the ſame ſhould be done, and in what Manner.

But, to our great Surprize, we have hitherto received no Satisfaction or Fruit from your Examination or Labour; but on the contrary, obſerved much Time ſpent in fruitleſs Controverſies and perſonal Reſentments, the Affairs of the Corporation in the mean while neglected, the Goods much damaged, and no Care taken for their Preſervation; no Sales made thereof to ſave them from periſhing, and to diſcharge our Demands, or any Attempt towards it; but that the Effects from which we are to receive Satisfaction, are ſuffer'd to moulder and ruſt, Numbers of unneceſſary Officers and Clerks retain'd at high exorbitant Salaries, and daily Expence and Profuſeneſs introduced; no Care taken to collect and enlarge the Fund, but as we have been credibly inform'd, Offers made by Mr. *Robinſon* for reſtoring great Quantities of Notes and Bonds to a very conſiderable Amount, of between twenty and thirty Thouſand Pounds, rejected, (which would leſſen the Demands on the Corporation, and conſequently add a great Increaſe to the Fund) and this done without the leaſt Shadow of Proſpect to make the like Advantage from the Effects diſcover'd under the Statute.

It is to theſe Meaſures, Gentlemen, we muſt impute the preſent Diſcredit of the Notes, which to our great Surprize and Amazement, we have obſerved lately to ſell at 50 *per Cent.* diſcount, and above, and we ſtill left in Doubt and Ignorance of the true Value thereof, or in what Manner to diſpoſe of our own Property. Againſt this Conduct we cannot forbear remonſtrating to you in the ſtrongeſt Manner, and obſerve, to our Aſtoniſhment, that if the Corporation has been injur'd by the Negligence of the former Managers, the Care is no wiſe amended under the preſent; but as the Proprietors have been robb'd under the Conduct of the one, ſo are we likely to ſuffer equally under the Inſpection of the other; and the Remnant of the Corporation, which was ſufficient, if prudently managed, to anſwer all our Demands, is now likely to be waſted and ſquander'd away.

We therefore, having too great Reaſon to apprehend our ſeveral Demands to be much endanger'd and of doubtful Effect, do (as we are adviſed) proteſt againſt your Proceedings, and that You Managers and Inſpectors ſhall be perſonally anſwerable to us for any Damage we have or ſhall ſuſtain by your wilful Default and groſs Negligence; and accountable likewiſe for any Money you ſhall uſeleſly and laviſhly ſquander, under any Pretence whatſoever; and more eſpecially if it ſhall appear that there are not Effects ſufficient to anſwer our Demands, we ſhall expect very good Reaſons from you, and a ſtrict Account why the Whole that remains is not forthwith divided amongſt us, but on the contrary, ſpent on foreign Enquiries; for by no Equity and Juſtice ought you to apply the Fund to any other Purpoſe but the Diſcharge of your Debts, much leſs to ſquander it in the pretended Service of the Proprietors, whoſe Intereſts ought to be ſuſtain'd out of their own Pockets, and not ours, which you at preſent arbitrarily and unjuſtly demand.

This is what we have thought fit to remonſtrate to you, and be it at your Peril that you perſiſt in applying the Effects of the Corporation to any other Purpoſe than to anſwer our reſpective Demands; and unleſs you have more than ſufficient for that Purpoſe, the contrary of which you have often declar'd in General Courts, WE INSIST you are now become TRUSTEES for us, and we accordingly expect a proper and HONEST EXECUTION OF YOUR TRUST.

N. B. This Remonſtrance was ſign'd by Creditors, to the Value of 100,000l.

SATURDAY, *February* 12.

THE Right Hon. the Earl of *Shaftsbury* being come to Age on Tueſday laſt, his Lordſhip took the Oaths and his Seat in the Houſe of Peers accordingly.

This Day Mr. *Franklin* received Sentence at the *King's-Bench Bar* at *Weſtminſter*, *viz.* to pay a Fine of one hundred Pounds, to be impriſoned for twelve Months, and to find Security for his good Behaviour for ſeven Years; to be bound himſelf in the Penalty of 1000l. and his two Securities in 500l. each.

Yeſterday the Wind being very high, blew down a Chimney in the Palace of St. *James's*, which falling upon a Centinel in Major *Guiſe's* Company, who was on his Poſt at the Round Tower there, knocked him down, and bruiſed him in a very dangerous Manner. The Royal Family were pleas'd to order Care to be taken of him, and gave him ſeveral Sums of Money.

Preferments. On Thurſday laſt the Rev. Mr. *William Rogers* was preſented by the Lord Chancellor to the Vicarage of *Ulting*, in the County of *Hertford*.——The Rev. Mr. *James Mac Farley* was lately preſented by *Richard Morgan* to the Rectory of *Upton* in the County of *Northumberland*.

Death. Yeſterday Morning died *William Jones*, Eſq; a Proctor of *Doctor's-Commons*.

MONDAY, *February* 14.

On Saturday laſt the Barons of the Exchequer deliver'd their Opinions concerning an Action for Debt, brought by Mr. Attorney-General on Behalf of the Crown, againſt the Executors, *&c.* of *James White*, who in his Life-time had clandeſtinely run 3600 Gallons of *French* Brandy, and 300 ſmall Casks about 12 Gallons each, the Duty amounting to 1140l. for which a Proſecution was carried on againſt him, but the Matter not being determined before his Death, the Queſtion was, whether an Action for Debt could be maintained againſt his Executors for Goods ſuppoſed to be clandeſtinely run, and for which no Cuſtoms were paid by the ſaid *White*, and the Court was of Opinion, that an Action might be maintain'd as well againſt the Executors of a Perſon for a Debt to the Crown that wrongfully imports, as againſt the Executors of a Perſon that fairly imports, and Judgment was given for the King for 1140l.

A Writ of Inquiry was alſo found the ſame Day by the Jury, againſt a Man for 161l. 10s. being for Victuals, Drink, Lodging, *&c.* for himſelf and his Lady, at a Bagnio in *Great Queen-ſtreet*: The Council alledged, that there were ſeveral extravagant Items in the Bill, particularly charging 10s. 6d. *per* Night for Lodging; but it was made appear to be the conſtant Price, eſpecially when they had a Woman Bedfellow.

Commitment. On Saturday a Woman was committed to *Newgate*, for picking a Woman's Pocket of 17s.

Deaths. By Letters from the *North* we hear, that about the Beginning of the laſt Week Col. *Chartres* died at his Seat at *Hornby Caſtle* in *Lancaſhire*; and, by his Will he has left 80,000l. to the ſecond Son of the Right Hon. the Earl of *Weemes*, his Grandſon.——On Saturday Night laſt died, at his Apartment in *Somerſet-Houſe*, the Marquis of *Miremont*.——Yeſterday Morning died, at his Houſe in *New-Bond-ſtreet*, the Right Hon. *William Bromley* of *Biggington*, Eſq; he was Speaker of the Houſe of Commons in the Reign of Queen *Anne*, and afterwards Secretary of State.

TUESDAY, *February* 15.

Yeſterday *Robert Hallum* and *George Scroggs* were executed at *Tyburn*, purſuant to their Sentence. *Robert Hallum* denied to the laſt that he threw his Wife out at the Window, but owned all other Barbarities that were proved upon his Tryal. The Surgeons had the Body of *Scroggs*.

Seals, Cauſes, Exceptions, and Demurrers after Hillary-Term.

Friday,	Febr. 18	}	Firſt General Seal.
Saturday,	19	}	
Monday,	21	}	Cauſes.
Tueſday,	22		
Wedneſday,	23	}	
Thurſday,	24		Second General Seal.
Friday,	25	}	Rehearings.
Saturday,	26		
Monday,	28		
Tueſday,	29	}	
Wedneſday,	March 1		
Thurſday,	2		Third General Seal.
Friday,	3	}	Exceptions.
Saturday,	4		
Monday,	6		
Tueſday,	7	}	
Wedneſday,	8		
Thurſday,	9	}	Pleas and Demurrers.
Friday,	10		
Saturday,	11	}	
Monday,	13		Laſt General Seal.
Tueſday,	14		Petitions.

Preferments. Miſs *Moſtyn*, Daughter of Sir *Roger Moſtyn*, Bart. is made one of the Maids of Honour to the Queen.——A few Days ſince the Rev. Mr. *Richardſon* was preſented by the Lord Chancellor to the Living of *Buley* in the County of *Northampton*.

Deaths. On Friday was ſe'nnight, the 4th Inſtant, died at *Lisburne* in *Ireland*, the Right Hon. the Lord *Conway*, Baron of *Ragley* in the County of *Warwick*, and Baron *Conway* of *Killultagh* in *Ireland*.——Yeſterday died at his Houſe in *Bell-Yard* near *Temple-Bar*, Mr. *Tho. Burford*, one

of the Sixty Clerks in Chancery.——They write from *Dublin*, that on Sunday se'nnight, about Three in the Afternoon, died there ſuddenly, the Right Rev. Dr. *Ralph Lambert*, Lord Biſhop of *Meath*——Laſt Tueſday died at *Tiverton*, *John Newton*, Eſq; Receiver General of the Taxes for the County of *Devon*.——Yeſterday Morning died in Childbed, at her Houſe in *Auguſtin-Fryers*, Mrs. *Wilks*, Wife of Mr. *Wilks*, Agent for the Colony of *New-England*.

WEDNESDAY, *February* 16.

Yeſterday in the Afternoon Juſtice *De Veil* committed an eminent Saddler over-againſt the *Meuſe Gate*, *Charing Croſs*, to *Newgate*, being charged on Oath of his Maid with throwing his own Mother down Stairs early Yeſterday Morning, by which Fall ſhe broke her Scull, and died on the Spot. The Circumſtances attending this Accident are theſe: About One o'Clock in the Morning he attempted to go to Bed to his Maid, and was undreſſed, but the Maid making Reſiſtance, his Mother came to him, and bid him come from the Maid, which he did, and immediately puſhed her down Stairs. When he was carried before the Juſtice, the Maid ſwore, That after he had thrown the Deceaſed down Stairs, he call'd out to her to bring a Candle, ſaying, *I believe I have killed the old Bitch.* But the Watchmen ſwore, That when they were called to ſecure him, and he was told his Mother was dead, he ſeemed in great Agonies, calling for a Fork or Penknife to let her Blood with, and that he did ſtick the Point of a Fork into a Vein in her Arm, and repeated often, *O God what muſt he do, he had murdered his dear Mother.* It was likewiſe ſwore, That he frequently uſed his Mother ill, and had often beat her very barbarouſly.

The ſame Day the Cauſe depending between a Gentlewoman of Quality and her Husband, relating to the Husband's *Inſufficiency*, was determin'd in the *Arches Court of Canterbury* at *Doctor's Commons*; when it went in Favour of the Husband, upon the following Particulars, *viz.* It was ſwore by five eminent Surgeons, that tho' there had been ſome Impediment in the Husband, yet now by their Skill that Impediment was removed; and that it was impoſſible for Midwives to tell whether the Lady was a pure Maid or not. The Judge gave it as his Opinion, that if the Marriage ſhould be diſannulled, and the Parties ſeverally married again, and the Man ſhould have Children by his other Wife, that then his Marriage with his ſecond Wife muſt be void, and he muſt go and live with the firſt Wife; ſo directed them to live together again; and 'tis to be hoped the Lady may have Cauſe to alter her Opinion.

The Statue of King *William* is order'd by the Veſtry of St. *James's* Pariſh, to be put up in the Middle of the Baſon in St. *James's-Square*.

Yeſterday at the Court of *Common-Pleas* was try'd a Cauſe for a Debt about ſix Years ſtanding, which by the Statue of Limitation, is declared irrecoverable; but the Plaintiff proving he had ſil'd an Original in that Time, and that the Debt was really due, the Jury found for the Plaintiff, and gave him the Debt.

Whitehall, Feb. 14. This Evening Mr. *Hammond* arrived here from his Excellency the Earl of *Cheſterfield*, his Majeſty's Ambaſſador Extraordinary to the States-General, with the Act of Concurrence of their High-Mightineſſes to the Treaty concluded the 16th of *March* laſt paſt, N. S. at the *Hague*, by the Miniſters of his Majeſty, the Emperor, and the States-General.

Commitments. Yeſterday a Weaver was committed to *New Priſon*, for attempting to raviſh a Girl of about Eleven Years old.——The ſame Day a Boy was committed to *Newgate*, for ſtealing two Cows from a Farmer near *Kentiſh* Town.

Marriage. Yeſterday the Lord Biſhop of *Durham's* Son was married to a Daughter of the Right Hon. the Lord *James Cavendiſh*, Uncle to his Grace the Duke of *Devonſhire*.

THURSDAY, *February* 17.

By Letters from *Antwerp* dated the 24th Inſtant, N. S. we have a Confirmation of the good News, that the Archdutcheſs had iſſued a Decree aboliſhing the *Oſtend* Company, cancelling their Charter, ordaining an utter Ceſſation of the Commerce of the Low Countries to the *Indies* for ever, and ſignifying that his Imperial Majeſty's Intentions with Reſpect to the Factories would be declared the firſt Opportunity. Theſe Letters add, that the Directors of the ſaid Company had immediately publiſh'd there this Piece of News, to prevent People from becoming a Prey to the Stock-Jobbers.

A Week ſince was given to the Treaſurer of *Bethlehem-Hoſpital*, by a Perſon unknown, 100l. for the Uſe of Incurables therein.

Yeſterday about Two in the Afternoon happen'd a Fire at Mr. *Richard Blunt's*, a Diſtiller in *Bread-ſtreet*, which begun by a Bottle of Strong Spirits falling down and breaking amongſt ſome Wood-Aſhes, ſo that the Shop was full of Flames, greatly endangering his Houſe and Neighbourhood, but was ſoon happily put out.

The ſame Day came on a Cauſe in the Court of *King's-Bench*, before the Right Hon. the Lord Chief Juſtice *Raymond*, wherein *Hugh Gatterell*, one of the Collectors of the Toll of the Turn-Pikes by *Hyde-Park* was Plaintiff, and ſeveral Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex* were Defendants, on an Action brought by the Plaintiff againſt the Defendants for committing him to Priſon for defrauding the Commiſſioners of the ſaid Turn-Pikes of the Toll; and after a Tryal which laſted ſix Hours, a Verdict was given for the Plaintiff, and 120l. Damages.

It is written from *Barcelona, Feb.* 10, N. S. That the Preparations for aſſembling, &c. 30,000 Men in the Neighbourhood, were continued, but that they could not form any Judgment what Service they were deſigned for.

Early on Saturday Morning laſt, the following Letter was found near Mr. *Richard Lucket's* Door, at *Upper Depford*, viz.

Mr. *Lucket*, *Feb.* 12, 1731-2.

You are deſired To lay the Sum of five Pounds At the Corner of the Brandy Shop Bench & cover it over with Duſt if you do ſlight it you ſhall be ſhot upon the Road and your Houſe ſet on Fire for hear is forty in a gang T S I P R. B N I ſeveral others that is not here Hear inſearted

Pray let it be there by 10 a Clock and continue till next Morning about 6

For Richard Lucket *living at* uper Depford
In kent

Yeſterday came on at the Court of *Common-Pleas* at *Weſtminſter*, a Tryal between *Emanuel Fuller*, Plaintiff, and the Commiſſioners of Sewers of the *Tower Hamlets*, Defendants, on Account of diſtraining a Piece of Cambrick, the Goods of the ſaid Plaintiff, for not paying the Rate aſſeſſed on him to the ſaid Sewers, and a Verdict with Coſts was given for the Commiſſioners.

By the laſt Meſſenger that came from *Spain* the following Cedula has been received, which was put into the Hands of Mr. *Keen*, his Majeſty's Miniſter there, to be tranſmitted to Rear Admiral *Stewart*, Commander in Chief of his Majeſty's Squadron in the *Weſt-Indies*.

The KING.

Whereas the *Britiſh* Miniſter reſiding at this Court having repreſented to me, that, notwithſtanding the Orders which I have iſſued to hinder the *Spaniſh* Privateers in *America* from committing Hoſtilities againſt the *Engliſh* and their Ships navigating in thoſe Seas, not only thoſe who have Commiſſions from ſome of the Governors of the Ports in my Dominions, but even others that have no ſuch Commiſſions, continue the ſaid Hoſtilities under Pretence of preventing illicit Commerce, and that the ſaid Governors will not attend to the Complaints made by the *Engliſh* who have ſuffered ſuch unjuſt Vexations, nor cauſe Satisfaction to be made them for the Damages they have ſuſtained; I have reſolved that the Orders given for that Purpoſe ſhall be repeated: Therefore I do by theſe Preſents command the Governors of the Ports and Places in my Dominions in *America*, that they do not ſuffer any of my Subjects to moleſt or abuſe the *Engliſh* and their Veſſels that ſhall navigate in thoſe Seas in ſuch Latitudes where they may do it, and that are not concerned in any illicit Commerce, and that they take Care that my ſaid Subjects do govern themſelves exactly and indiſpenſibly by the Royal Laws and Ordinances which treat of this Matter; and that if any Perſon or Perſons in Breach thereof, ſhall commit ſuch Violence, they do proceed to puniſh him or them with the utmoſt Severity, according to the Heinouſneſs of the Offence committed, and likewiſe thoſe who ſhall go to Sea without any Commiſſion, to commit Hoſtilities, and make unlawful Prizes; and that they do hear and receive the Complaints that ſhall be made to them on the Part of the *Britiſh* Officers or Commanders, either in Perſon or by Letter, always adminiſtring Juſtice to them, and giving them a Certificate of what ſhall have been tranſacted, and cauſing Satisfaction to be made them, for the Loſſes which they ſhall have unjuſtly ſuſtained, by the Perſons who ſhall have occaſioned them, and who ought to make them Satisfaction; for ſuch is my Will. And the ſaid Governors are to underſtand, that they ſhall be anſwerable for the Violences which the ſaid Cruizers ſhall commit, in Regard that, before they give them Commiſſions to go to Sea, they ought to examine into the Characters of their Perſons, and take Security of them to their Satisfaction. *Done at* Seville, *the* 18*th of* January, 1732.

(L. S.) I the KING.
D. Joſeph Patino.

To the Governors of the Ports of the *Indies*, about the Hoſtilities which the *Engliſh* ſuffer by the Privateers belonging to the ſaid Ports.

On Friday laſt a remarkable Tryal came on before the Lord Chief Juſtice *Raymond* at *Guildhall*, wherein Mr. *Stuart* and Comp. Wine-Merchants were Plaintiffs, and the *Charitable Corporation* Defendants. The Caſe was thus; Mr. *Thomſon* (late Warehouſe-keeper to the ſaid Corporation) employ'd a Broker to buy of the Plaintiffs 15 Pipes of new Red Wines, which came to 465l. Theſe Wines were bought by the Broker on the Credit of the ſaid Corporation, deliver'd into their Warehouſe in *Mincing-Lane*, and are ſtill there in their Cuſtody, under the Care of their Cooper: But thoſe charitable Gentlemen would have inſinuated, that Mr. *Thomſon* bought them on his own Account, and being now a Bankrupt the Wines would be ſubjected to the Statute; but this proved ineffectual, for the Jury (after a Tryal of near three Hours) gave a Verdict, without going out, for the Plaintiffs, with 465l. Damages.

Commitment. Laſt Night a Man was committed to *Newgate*, for breaking open a Houſe at *Brentford* in the Nighttime, and carrying off ſeveral Goods of a conſiderable Value.

Preferments. On Monday laſt the Rev. Dr. *Henry Stebbing* was ſworn in Chaplain in Ordinary to his Majeſty.——The ſame Day Mr. *Simonety Vincent* was ſworn in Sewer of the Great Chamber in Ordinary to her Majeſty.

Shipping. By Yeſterday's *French* Poſt came Advice, that the *Neptune*, Capt. *Cuppinger*, bound from *Malaga* to *Barbary* to load Corn, was loſt on the Coaſt of *Barbary*, the Captain and five Men were drowned.

FRIDAY, *February* 18.

Yeſterday there was a Court of Common-Council at *Guildhall*, when the following Gentlemen, upon a Diviſion of 131 againſt 68, were choſen on the ſeveral Committees of the Year enſuing.

Note, Thoſe with * are new Members.

For the IRISH SOCIETY.

Ald. Aſſop, Governor.	Mr. Giles Vincent.
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Mr. James Heywood.	* Mr. John Cooper.
Mr. Hugh Bonfoy.	* Mr. Richard Baily.
Mr. Edward Chowne.	* Mr. N. Arnold.
Mr. Henry King.	* Mr. Richard Long.
Mr. Thomas Sandford.	* Mr. Robert Cary.
Mr. Thomſon Heyne.	* Deputy Child.
	* Mr. James Bedingfield.
	* Mr. Robert Burchall.

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Sir Richard Brocas, Knt. and Ald.	* Mr. John Wheeler.
Humphrey Parſons, Eſq; Ald.	* Joſeph Taylor, Eſq;
* Sir John Williams, Knt. and Ald.	* Mr. James Danſie.
Robert Aſſop, Eſq; Ald.	* Mr. Thomas Ridge.
Mr. Henry Siſſon.	* Mr. William Birch.
Deputy J. Snart.	* Mr. Thomas Naſh.
	* Deputy Davis.
	* Mr. William Lord.

GRESHAM COMMITTEE.

* The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor.	* Mr. Samuel Naſh.
* Ald. Barnard.	* Mr. William Poole.
* Deputy Ayliffe.	* Mr. John Maſon.
	* Mr. Robert Mael.

Early Yeſterday Morning the Coroner's Jury broke up, without giving their Verdict in Relation to the Death of Mrs. *Atkinſon*, who was murdered at *Charing-Croſs*; and Yeſterday they met again, when 16 agreed for *Wilful Murder*, and 8 for *Manſlaughter*; but at laſt agreed to a Verdict of *Wilful Murder*. Yeſterday the Coroner's Warrant came down to *Newgate*, charging Mr. *Robert Atkinſon*, Son of the Deceaſed, with the ſaid Murder. The Surgeons, upon opening her Head, found her Scull broke in ſeveral Places.

Yeſterday a Waterman was found hanging at *Vauxhall* near the Waterſide, and it is believ'd that he was his own Executioner.

The ſame Day was found drowned at *Stangate* among the Floats of Timber, a young Lad about Nine Years of Age, Son to Mr. *Dypper* near the ſaid Place.

Yeſterday the annual Feaſt of the Sons of the Clergy was held at *Merchant-Taylor's-Hall*, where was a great Appearance, and a very handſome Collection, which, with thoſe made at the Rehearſal, and at the Church-Doors Yeſterday, amounted to the Sum of 830l.

They write from *Manchester*, that on the 27th of laſt Month they had collected in that Town for the Sufferers by Fire at *Blandford* and *Tiverton*, the Sum of 500l. and were in Hopes of making a conſiderable Addition to it.

Laſt Week a Luggage-Boat bound from *London* to *Gravesend*, was by Streſs of Weather drove on Shoar near *Grays*: The Boat ſunk with the Goods, but all the Paſſengers, with much Difficulty, were ſaved. There was on board, the *Canterbury*, *Aſhford*, and *Leeds* Carriers: The *Canterbury* Carrier loſt a large Quantity of Plate and Linnen, and the other two ſuſtained Loſſes to a conſiderable Value.

Yeſterday in the Court of *Common-Pleas* an Action brought againſt Mr. *Spicer*, a Pawnbroker, was tried, and which he would have avoided, by pleading that he was not the Perſon who took in Pawns, but Mr. *Smith* who liv'd in the ſame Houſe, which if he could have made appear, the Plaintiff muſt have loſt his Action and the Goods which he had pawn'd. But it came out otherwiſe, and the Jury gave a Verdict for the Plaintiff, and the Value of the Goods ſued for in Damages.

Preferment. Mr. *Vane*, one of the Lord *Barnard's* Sons, is made an Enſign in the firſt Regiment of Foot Guards.

Chriſtned.

M.	195	355
F.	160	

Died.

Under 2 Years Old		134
From 2 to 5		26
5 10		20
10 20		24
20 30		32
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Buried.

M	241	450
F	209	

Decreaſed. 21

The Aſſize of Bread made of Wheat, to take Place on Thurſday *February* 3, as ſet forth by Order of the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of *London*.

The Penny Loaf to weigh by *Averdupois* or common Weight, *viz.* 16 Drams make one Ounce, and 16 Ounces one Pound. White 11*oz.* 9*dr.* Wheaten 17*oz.* 6*dr.* Houſhold 23*oz.* 3*dr.*

Two Penny Loafs. White 1*lb.* 7*oz.* 3*dr.* Wheaten 2*lb.* 2*oz.* 12*dr.* Houſhold 2*lb.* 14*oz.* 5*dr.*

Note, That the Peck Loaf ought to weigh ſeventeen Pounds, ſix Ounces, and one Dram; the Half Peck and Quartern in Proportion Quartern Wheaten 4*d.* Quartern Houſhold 3*d.* Half Peck Wheaten 8*d.* Half Peck Houſhold 6*d.* Peck Wheaten 1*s.* 4*d.* Peck Houſhold 1*s.*

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N. B. As this Hiſtory abounds with the ſevereſt Reflections on the Popiſh Doctrines and Worſhip, ſo the Publication of it ſeems particularly ſeaſonable at this Time, when Dr. Clarke has thought it neceſſary to convey the following Complaint to the Hon. Houſe of Commons, in his Sermon preach'd the 31ſt of Jan. laſt, viz. 'The Emiſſaries of Popery 'have increaſed their Diligence in gaining Proſelytes, and are NOW 'more induſtriouſly employ'd in every Corner of our Metropolis than 'has been any Time known in the preſent Age.' Vide Dr. Clarke's Sermon, pag. 18. The very ſame Obſervation occurs in the Preface to this Book, where the Tranſlator thus expreſſes himſelf: 'I cannot forbear adding here (and this the rather, as I have been inform'd, that Popiſh Emiſſaries NOW ſwarm among us) that when I reflect on the monſtrous 'Apoſtacy of the Romaniſts—their Invocation of Angels—their Worſhip of Demons—the Adoration of their Virgin-Queen of Heaven—their Devotion to whole Armies of dead Men and Women—the horrible Abſurdity of their Wafer-God—and the Seas of Blood they have ſhed to bind this ſenſeleſs Blaſphemy and Idolatry on the reluctant Minds 'of Men, by Rack, and Fires and Tortures; I am at a Loſs to know 'what WORSE Religion could be embraced, &c.' Vide the Tranſlator's Preface, pag. 4.

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LEITH.			*from*
3 Feb.	Mathew	*Cleghorn*	Bilboa
CHESTER.			*from*
14 Feb	Bleſſing	*Ryder*	Oporto
FALMOUTH.			*from*
10 Feb.	Paulet	*Taylor*	London
	Cornberry	*George*	
DARTMOUTH			*from*
6 Feb.	Aurora	*Beavis*	Topſham
	S. Thomas	*Jones*	Eſtatia
	Experience	*Rabier*	Havre
POOL			*from*
9 Feb.	Y. Green	*Young*	Lisbon
	John	*Rasby*	ditto
DOVER.			*from*
13 Feb.	Nelly	*Bogie*	London
DEAL.			*from*
11 Feb.	French	*Coffin*	Cadiz
	Dove	*Spackman*	Jamaica
	Bilboa Merch.	*Smithurſt*	Bilboa
GRAVESEND			*from*
13 Feb.	Exchange	*Watſon*	S. Sebaſt.
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	Carteret	*Durel*	Seville
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	James Goodwil	*Croker*	ditto
15	Belvidier	*Oliver*	ditto
	Aſhley	*Payne*	Jamaica
	Catherine	*Blinkoe*	ditto
14	Catherine	*Winn*	Morlaix
	Truelove	*Branham*	Carolin
	Rich. & Eliz.	*Bradford*	Oſtend
	P. William	*Chriſtopher*	ditto
	Imagination	*Rollings*	N.Eng.
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	Moore	*Moore*	Dieppe
	Eliz. & Mary	*Maples*	Dunkirk
	Margaret	*Hammond*	ditto
	Hap. Jennet	*Green*	Leghorn
16	Four Friends	*Jauſon*	Bologne
17	Kirby	*Canham*	Carolina
	S. George	*Manning*	ditto
	netty & Mary	*Southern*	S. Vallery

IRELAND.

CORK			*from*
25 Jan	Lamb	*Skinner*	N. York
27	John & David	*Thompſon*	C. Brit.
28	Eagle	*Chambers*	Campe
	Exchange	*Galloway*	Benecarl.
30	Ruth	*Gray*	Boſton
1 Feb.	3 Brothers	*Bayſe*	Lisbon
6	Heſter & Mary	*Wylie*	ditto
	Seahorſe	*Coner*	ditto
	Mary & Eliz.	*Gitton*	Havre

FOREIGN PORTS.

JAMAICA.			*from*
	Catherine	*Gordon*	Briſtol
	Hawker	*Tomkin*	ditto
	Baynton	*Brewſter*	ditto
	Mercury	*Pritchard*	Guinea
	Larke	*Parker*	ditto
	Heylyn	*Graham*	ditto
	William		London
NAPLES.			*from*
25 Jan	Union	*Burton*	Leghorn
LEGHORN			*from*
25 Jan.	Eliz.	*Jury*	Nt.land
27	Pompey	*Denn*	London
28	Marquiſs	*Merry*	ditto
30	Auguſtus Ceſar	*Hampton*	ditto
	Marſhal	*Spinks*	Yarmouth
	Seahorſe	*Martin*	Barcelon.
31	Mermaid	*James*	Pizzillo
	Ruſſia Merch.	*Stevenſon*	Lisbon
	Rob. & Sarah	*Herſt*	Yarmou.
	Briſtol Merch.	*Miller*	Briſtol
	Fellows	*Pincomb*	Nt.land
	Catharine	*Melvin*	Marſeilles
	Elizabeth	*Doſſe*	Dublin
2 Feb.	Auguſt	*Hobbs*	Nants
	Watkyns	*Watham*	ditto
5	Mary Ann	*Conſſe*	Lisbon
	Mary & John	*Hichens*	S. Ives
6	Eagle	*Jeffereys*	Nt.land
	Frienpſhip	*Webb*	N.England
GENOA.			*from*
1 Feb.	Dolphin	*Gale*	Venice
	Fanny	*Long*	Mahon
2	James	*Giger*	Scotland
12	Expedition	*Watt*	Yarmouth
	Falmouth Mw.	*Tyng*	Lisbon
	Betty	*Hindsdring*	Mounts
BARCELONA.			*from*
30 Jan.	Cornwal	*Skinner*	London
3 Feb.	S. Patrick	*Hardy*	Ireland
	Suſannah	*Landen*	Philadel.
	Virtue	*Errington*	Lond
	Edw. & Eliz.	*Glover*	ditto
	Hearn	*Hearn*	Yarmou.
	Dolphin	*Soul*	ditto
	Geo. & Eliz.	*Edwards*	Alicant
	Dolphin	*Coole*	ditto
10	Expedition	*Talcot*	London
	Charm. Nancy	*Jones*	Malaga
ALICANT			*from*
23 Jan.	R. Carol	*Mundy*	N.Eng.
26	P. Amelia	*Preſtow*	Sicily
	Love	*Carrol*	Cadiz
	Suſanna	*Fowles*	Malaga
27	Dolobella	*Stephens*	Southton
	Mildred	*Nutt*	Ireland
	Michal David	*Getty*	ditto
	Friends Endeav	*Griffin*	Briſtol
	Lombard	*Unrack*	Lisbon
	Owners Goodw.	*Burt*	Newhaven
2 Feb.	Patience	*Bowles*	Valencia.
	S. George	*Milo*	Portſmou.
4	Hope	*Garret*	Coaſt
	John & Eliz.	*Smith*	Genoa
	Margaret	*Dawes*	Lisbon
	Providence	*Clark*	Cadiz
MALAGA.			*from*
15 Jan.	Catherin	*Warwick*	Algier
	Terra Nova	*Biſhop*	Portſmou
29	Providence	*Talbot*	ditto
	Sarah & Mary	*Byrne*	N.Eng.
	Henry	*Dixon*	Lisbon
	Johanna	*Smith*	Gallecia
	Francis	*Abbot*	London
	Elean. Mary	*Pearſon*	Algier
5 Feb.	Concord	*Spilman*	Cadiz
	Prince	*Willis*	Barbary
	Sarah	*Harper*	Cagliari
	Lark	*Groteck*	Salcomb
	Friendſhip	*Fellers*	Nt.land
GIBRALTAR			*from*
2 Feb.	Aſia	*Tims*	Smirna
	Tower	*Wingfield*	Sicily
	Packet	*Holman*	ditto
	Phenix	*Brown*	ditto
	Sam. & Eliz.	*Chilton*	Genoa
	Unity	*Cook*	ditto
		Brame	ditto
CADIZ.			*from*
23	Providence	*Arnold*	London
	Q. Elizabeth	*Brown*	Canaries
	Mary	*Park*	ditto
	S. Andrew	*Bodkin*	Bourdeau
	Ellis	*Quin*	Oſtend
	Expedition	*Talcot*	Lond.
25	Bonadventure	*Murphey*	S. Andro
	Catherine	*Drayſon*	Hamb.
	John & Suſanna	*Brimwood*	Yarmou
	Sarah	*Swiney*	Bilb. a
	Two Brothers	*Galloway*	Bantrey
	Ann & Eliz.	*Tegues*	Sweeden
	Gibraltar	*Michell*	Lond.
	Hans & Eliz.	*Jones*	ditto
20	Richard	*Friend*	N.Engl.
1 Feb.	Hawk	*Partington*	Bilboa
	Charity	*Clements*	Liverp
AMSTERDAM.			*from*
18 Feb.	Northam	*Baliebach*	Barcelo.
		Hanorth	Hull
20	L. Eliz.	*Parents*	London
	Anna Maria	*Vermy*	ditto
		Keith	Faro

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When Sailed for LONDON			from
Ships Names	Maſters Names		from Whence
For other Britiſh PORTS			*from*
13 Feb.	Victory	*Pearſe*	Downs
	Wm & John	*Slee*	ditto
31 Jan.	Speedwel	*Baily*	Alicant
	Geo. & Thom.	*Durel*	ditto

For IRELAND.			From
13 Feb.	Providence	*Bonner*	Downs
	Teneriffe	*Curling*	ditto

FOREIGN PORTS.

For NEW YORK.			*from*
13 Feb.	Albion	*Brian*	Downs
For MARYLAND & VIRGINIA			*from*
13	Cheap	*Waſſe*	Downs
	John & Benja.	*Reynolds*	ditto
	Alexander	*Ruſſel*	ditto
	Speedwel	*Bab*	ditto
	Succeſs	*Randolph*	ditto
	Digges	*Danſie*	ditto
	Sarah & Mary	*Lane*	ditto
	Three Siſters	*Barns*	ditto
	Cambridge	*Johnſon*	ditto
	Enterprize	*Spavin*	ditto
	Amy	*Hopkins*	ditto
For CAROLINA.			*from*
13 Feb.	K. Wm	*Wathinſon*	Downs
For JAMAICA			*from*
13 Feb.	Kinſton	*Newton*	Downs
	Mermaid	*Crawford*	ditto
	Milkmaid	*Berkley*	ditto
	Sarah	*Lawrence*	ditto
For BARBADOES AND LEEWARD Iſlands			*from*
13 Feb.	Apollo	*Smith*	Downs
	Jennet	*Crookendon*	ditto
	Pompey	*Godber*	ditto
	Pretty Betſy	*Chapman*	ditto
	Seahorſe	*Hunt*	ditto
GUINEA			*from*
13 Feb.	Suſanna	*Davy*	Downs
For South BARBARY			*from*
13 Feb.	Induſtry	*Hurt*	Downs
For the STREIGHTS			*from*
25 Jan.	Fanny	*Giles*	Alicant
	Florence	*Coleman*	ditto
30	James	*Park*	Genoa
28	Stork	*Daverſon*	Leghorn
1 Feb.	Union	*Calais*	ditto
5	Tereſa	*Tacco*	ditto
	Jane	*Donovan*	ditto
14 Jan.	Orange	*Gether*	Cadiz
25	Catherine	*Haſwel*	ditto
26	Aurora	*Lower*	ditto
13 Feb.	Ann	*Blewet*	Downs
	Goudefellow	*Saunders*	ditto
	Bugby's Hole	*Radford*	ditto
3	Two Brothers	*Barfoot*	Alicant
	William	*Shirley*	ditto
	Owner's Good.	*Burt*	ditto
4	Patience	*Bowles*	ditto
29 Jan.	Ann	*Wig*	Cadiz
30	S. Andrew	*Bodkin*	ditto
4 Feb.	Own Goods	*Barker*	ditto
	Mahon	*Vaughan*	ditto
	S. Nicholas	*Cosgrave*	ditto
	Swift	*Duckes*	ditto
3	Genoa	*Fielding*	ditto
	Mary	*Murphy*	ditto
13	Crown	*Brain*	Weym.
	Tho. & Rebec	*Bowles*	ditto
For SPAIN and PORTUGAL without the STREIGHTS.			*from*
27 Jan.	Charity	*Friend*	Cadiz
13 Feb.	Hanibal	*Morgan*	Downs
	Phenix	*Ellis*	ditto
	ſeafare	*Robertſon*	ditto
	S. George	*Roberts*	ditto
	Antelope	*Marris*	ditto
	Preſton	*Hadam*	ditto
	Burton	*Paddiſon*	ditto
	Jemima	*Dornford*	ditto
1	Ellis	*Quinn*	Cadiz
	Wm & Mary	*Robins*	ditto
For FRANCE.			*from*
13 Feb.	Bridgwat.	*Gray*	Downs
	G. a. Coventry	*Tidiman*	ditto
	Henry & Priſc.	*Lucas*	ditto
	Ann	*Hunt*	ditto
For HOLLAND & FLANDERS			*fr.*
2 Feb.	K. George	*Lucas*	Alicant
For BREMEN or HAMBURG			*from*
12 Feb.	Eleanor	*Lowther*	Downs

Winds at *Deal*, *Febr.* 11 S. W. 12. W. S. W. 13 N E. 14. S. W. 15. W. S. W. 16. S. W: 17. N. W. by N.

Remain in the Downs *bound out for*

D. of Lorrain	*Welſon*	E. India
P. of Orange	*Hadſon*	ditto
Bedford	*Wells*	ditto
John	*Tyſon*	Oporto
Conſtant John	*Walker*	Maryland
Content	*Ackers*	ditto
Merriman	*Mills*	ditto
Robert & Mary	*Anderſon*	ditto
Elliot	*Goddard*	Streights
Elizabeth	*French*	S. Kitts
John	*Piper*	Antigua
Boulter	*Lyon*	Lisbon
Charm. Sally	*Bagſter*	Havre
S. Catherine	*Roberts*	Cork
Batchelors Deligh	*Scott*	Briſtol
Nonſuch	*Lemon*	Belfaſt
Martha & Mary	*Northal*	Dublin

Several Ships that ſailed out of the *Downs* the 13th Inſtant, are put into *Cowes*.

COLLETT's *Courſe of Exchange*

Lond. Courſe, *Feb.* 18.

The Exchange is on	Balance Prices.	
Amſterdam 35 1	*Amſterdam*	
Paris 31 7/8	55 1 1/16	M.
Leghorn 50 1/2	88 2/16	P.
Genoa 53 1/2	93 2/8	M.
Venice 48 1/2	85 1/16	P.
Cadiz 41 7/8	101 1/4	P.
Madrid 42	81 1/4	P
Lisbon 5 5 1/4	46 1/8	P
Oporto 5 5 1/4	46 1/8	P
Hamburgh 34 2	32 2/8	M
Dublin 11		

Hops		Stocks *Saturday*	*Monday*	*Tuesday*	*Wednesday.*	*Thurſday*	*Friday.*
1728	1*l.* 8*s.*	*S. Sea* 100 1/8	100 1/8 1/4 99 1/4 100 1/8	100 1/8 a 1/4	100 1/8, 1/4, 1/2	100 1/8 1/8 a 1/4	100 1/8
1729	2*l.*	*Annu.* 110	110 1/8	110 1/8 a 1/4	110 1/8 1/4	110 1/8 1/4 a 1/4	110 1/8
1730	3*l.* 6*s.*	*Bank* 149 1/4 a 7/8	149 1/4 7/8	149 3/8	149 7/8	149 3/8 50	149 1/4 a 1/2
1731	5*l.* 5*s.*	*India* 179 78 1/2	178 1/8 47 1/4 7 1/2	178 1/4	178 1/4 1/4	178 1/4 1/2, 1/4 a 1/2	178 1/4 6 1/4 7 1/4
Coals	23 24	*3p. C.* 98	97 1/4	97 1/4	97 1/4	97 1/8	97 1/4
Grain *p.* Quart.		*MBan* 111	111	111	111	111	111
Wheat	19 22	*Afric.* 46	46	46	46	46	46
Rye	10 13	*Y. Bu.* 12	12 1/8	11	10 1/2	10 1/2	9 1/4
Barley	11 14	*RAſſ.* 98 1/4	98 1/8 1/4	98 3/4	98 1/4	98 1/4	98 1/4
Oates	9 13	*L. ditt* 13 1/8	13 1/8	13 1/8	13 1/8	13 1/8	13 1/8
Tares	18 23	*ECop.* 2*l.* 12*s.*	2*l.* 12	2*l.* 12	2*l.* 12	2*l.* 12	2*l.* 12
H. Beans	18 23	*Wditt* 1*l.* 16*s.*	1*l.* 16*s.*	1*l.* 16*s.*	1*l.* 16*s.*	1*l.* 16*s.*	1*l.* 16
H. Peaſe	17 22	*N. B.Cir* 6*l.* 15	6*l.* 15*s.*	6*l.* 17*s.* 6	6*l.* 17*s.* 6	6*l.* 17*s.* 6*d*	6*l.* 17 6d
Boil. dit.	25 28	*IBon.* 5*l.* 14*s.*	5*l.* 19*s.*	6*l.* 1*s*	6*l.* 4*s.*	5*l.* 10*s.*	6*l.* 10
P. Malt	20 21	*SSdit* 3*l.* 13*s.*	3*l.* 18*s.*	3*l.* 14*s.*	3*l.* 10*s.*	3*l.* 3*s.*	21. 16*s.*
dit. Br.	19 20	Blanks 7*l.* 7*s.* 9	17*l.* 7*s.* 6	17*l.* 7*s* 6	17*l.* 7*s.* 6*d*	17*l.* 7*s.* 6	17*l.* 7*s.* 6

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